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# City Auditorium Closed to Jobless Group

### REFLECTIONS

By the Editor

NOT SO LONG ago I was shocked by a radio address in which a speak-America upon the patience with which they are bearing the hardships of Capitalism's collapse.

It seems to me that that was the crowning insult which the workers of this wealthy nation have yet had to

Patience! What kind of people fers unlimited possibilities for abundant life? To be patient with conof virtue.

criminal.

ould steal before he would starve. latter's office. The Leas It sounded good to me when he said men refused the private conference that. However, perhaps by the time and Mayor Ermentrout brought the actual starvation strikes one under- argument to a close by declaring that nourishment has eliminated all re-there was nothing more to be said on sistance from one's make-up. That the matter. may be the reason why so few people follow Willard's suggestion.

JUST WHAT IS there to be "pati ent" about in these days of disaster? If some natural catastrophe had overtaken the nation there would be an element of sportsmanship in this business of suffering cheerfully. But the privations which millions are bearing are all too unnecessary to be patiently accepted. People won't be patient much longer if they are not bankrupt of self-respect.

Given a land which is richly en downed by Nature, which has the finest factory and railroad systems on earth and which is populated by people who are willing and able to do tee declared that much of the value efficient work, widespread poverty becomes a living disgrace. I can public was excluded. think of nothing quite as "unto say to millions: "Starve patiently until we can find some way to make a profit by permitting you to eat regularly." That isn't the kind of stuff that our forefathers were made of-if my history teachers informed me correctly.

IN THIS NATION poverty is crime against fundamental human day object by action as well as by

The real thing to do is to open the industries for the people. The Socialists have been advocating that for many years, and they don't mean wood yards and cast-off clothing sta- per cent caused seven hosiery boardtions when they speak of industries. ers to declare a strike at the Fisher People need shoes and homes and Hosiery Mills. Seventh and Court food and fuel and clothing. The streets, this week. The reductions, means are here to produce and dis- which brought the wages of boarders tribute those needs. All right! Let from \$2 per hundred dozen to \$1.60 the unemployed be put to work to and helpers from \$1 to 84 cents, produce their needs and to use the were the most recent of a series of things they produce. cuts extending through the years of of the Taxpayers' Protective League.

ers do not do the right thing. They ductions at the "John Davis" mill on lack the power to do it. It is also Pearl street caused a similar walkunderstandable why they do not or- out. The latter strike has been temganize and take the power which will porarily adjusted. dome by uniting their numbers. They The strikers declared that the lack the understanding of the funda- wages which they could earn at the mental causes of their misery.

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SOCIALIST

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### MAYOR REFUSES PUBLIC HEARING OF COMPLAINTS RELIEF IS INADEQUATE

er complimented the workers of Giles Orders Police to See That Citizens, Barred From City Hall, Are "Kept Moving"—Taxpayers' League Committee Prepared With Specific Cases of Inadequate Care For Jobless—Policy of Silencing Public Expression of Grievances Arouses Bitter Feeling

Plans for a public hearing of the conditions under which are we that we should be patient Reading's unemployed are existing fell through on Monday with starvation in a land which of when Mayor Ermentrout, backed by Fusion Councilmen Smith and Yocom, refused to permit the use of the City Hall audiditions such as now exist seems to torium for that purpose. Ermentrout's decision was contrary me all of vice and nothing whatever to a prior action of Council in which that body voted unanimously to grant a request for a public hearing.

I AM OF the same mind as the fice, which was attended by every president of the Baltimore & Ohio member of Council and represent-Railroad. I haven't starved yet. atives of the Taxpayers' Protective But I like to believe that long be- League, a battle of words ensued fore I am reduced to the sordid when Ermentrout took the position plight of Capitalism's cast-offs I shall that there was "no need" for a pubdemonstrate my impatience with this lic hearing and invited the League's system in ways which the world calls representatives to confer with a committee composed of Councilmen President Willard declared that he Smith, Hoverter and Yocom in the

Councilmen George and Hoverter vigorously espoused the cause of the League, declaring that there was no reason why the unemployed should not use the audito. In the same as other public groups had done.

George pointed out that meetings had been permitted by railroad men and other groups. "These men are citizens, too," the Socialist member told Ermentrout, "and should be ac corded the same privilege." Hoverter seconded the position stated by

Wants Public to Know

Stewart Tomlinson, acting spokesman for the League's commitof a discussion would be lost if the

"We want the people to know American," to use an overworked ex. what is going on in the homes of pression, as to permit a few people people who are now accepting unem-Idustrial slump. On the com-(Continued on Page Three)

rights, and real patriots will some Workers in Two Local Firms delphia, president of the State Fed-Walk Out When Earnings Are Reduced Below Charity Level

Wage cuts ranging from 16 to 20 It is understandable why the work-the depression. Almost identical re-

reduced rate were less in some cases But just because the great mass of than the amount allowed unemployed workers by the local relief board. They explained that they had been working only half-time and that another shift went on after they had put in their normal working day of

Since walking off the job the firm has abandoned its "share-work" policy and is now working the second shift full time.

Price Cuts Responsible In defense of their wage-cutting policy both firms have declared that

higher wages are impossible under the prevailing price range at which (Continued on Page Three)

Organized Craftsmen Will Hold Conference in Labor Lyceum Sunday Afternoon At 2 O'clock

Soldiers. Workers and Jobless To Unite In Common Action For Advancement of Labor's Interests

Organization of the working class of Reading and Berks was given new impetus on Tuesday night by the appointment of a committee to lay plans for a conference in Labor Lyceum on Sunday at 2 p. m., of all af filiated and organized crafts to discuss problems confronting workers as a result of the in mittee are George M. Rhodes, Edward Callaghan and Mrs. Anna Geisinger.

Among the problems which will be prought up for consideration are the blacklist, share work, wage cutting and the seven day week. In addition to local speakers, addresses will be delivered by John Phillips, of Philaeration of Labor, and Emil Rieve, president of the American Federation of Full Fashioned Hosiery Workers.

To Unite All Workers

As a means of uniting all workers, organized and unorganized, for common action, the central union body took steps to form a Soldiers and Workers Council. George M. Rhodes. Benjamin Miller and Harry. Longensoldier group, and a committee of three will be invited from the ranks

Legislative Committee composed of hands, was 295 to 5. of Andrew P. Bower, Earl White and Stewart Tomlinson was elected to January session of the State Legis-

It was decided to send a protest to Governor Pinchot against economies that will cripple the State Department of Labor and Industry.

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### ERMENTROUT, POLITICS AND THE UNEMPLOYED

"Cut out the politics; that won't get you anywhere."

When Fusion Mayor Heber Ermentrout made the above statement in Council meeting to the spokesman for the Taxpayers' Protective League he was far from stating the case correctly. Either Ermentrout was deliberately trying to create a false impression or he failed to understand how important it is that politics—the right kind of politics—shall be played.

"Politics," comes from the same source as the word "policy." It is used in connection with the business government as a means of indicating the policy which shall prevail in the administration of the affairs of men and nations.

We suspect that that was not exactly what Mayor Ermentrout was talking about when he used the word. What he means to imply probably was that the League, or at least its leaders, were attempting to create an unfair situation in demanding that the present city governors interest themselves in the plight of the unemployed.

It is plain that Ermentrout and the rest of the Fusionists are anxious to establish a reputation for fair dealing. But the gratification of such an ambition demands something different than the action which he and his colleagues have taken since then.

It was politics—the policy of treating the working class with disdain-that caused the Mayor's police force to segregate the unemployed hunger marchers in St. Casimir half and hold them virtual prisoners until they departed the city. That was the kind of politics which is played by officials who think that workers are all right when they obediently work for the profit of an owning class, but dangerous pests when, denied the right to earn their bread, they exercise their constitutional right to petition their lawmakers for a redress of grievances

It is inconceivable that any other group of men should have been treated as Mayor Ermentrout treated the Hunger Marchers last Friday. Certainly, he would not have forbidden the freedom of the streets to a lodge of Elks. Nor would he have forced a firemen's convention to keep to their quarters until the very moment of their departure from Reading. And had the American Legion seen fit to bring a delegation to this Fusion-controlled community, not only the key to the city but every speakeasy and prostitute in town would have been at their disposal even though they conducted themselves with the same carefree disregard for ordinary decorum which has characterized some of their conventions of earlier and more youthful days. Police are permitted to wink at the rules when the "right" persons congregate. It is only when workers, bent upon demanding things from their lawmakers, come to town that a strict observance of law and order is assured by such stringent methods as the Reading authorities recently employed.

And the action of the Mayor's policemen-be it reported-was POLITICS. It showed in a decisive manner just what kind of policies and WHOSE POLICIES are going to be followed in Reading by the present administration.

It is the policy of the parties which united in Reading to form the Fusion group that the laws of the land shall be used to keep the workers always at the mercy of a small number of owners. Democratic and Republican policy desires that the few shall be permitted to deny the many the essential right to work. More than that, it is their policy to protect the claims of the owning class to economic power at whatever cost to the working class. Under the old party's policies, it is quite all right for those who own to rob those who labor and produce. A legal way has been obligingly provided for the owners to do that. And it is likewise in accord with those same policies (Continued on Page Seven)

### UNIONS REVERSE STAND IN RECOMMENDING PLAN WHEREBY INDUSTRY PAYS

New Militant Spirit Seen In Convention as Green Sounds Call For New Battle Line-"If Machines Take Jobs Industry Must Provide Way to Make a Living," Labor Chief Declares—Report Declares Plan Should Be Administered by the State

CINCINNATI.—"We will draw up the line of battle and carry the struggle to the doors of industry until the jobless are given jobs." declared William Green, president of the American ecker were named to represent the Federation of Labor, in a speech following the reversal by convention delegates of that organization's former opposition to unemployment insurance. The vote of the delegates, by show

with our economic force.

Challenges Machine Owners "If you are going to replace men wages or working conditions." and women with machinery, industrial management must provide some

ployed."

The plan of insurance favored by pany union device." the Federation is for contributions Another break with the past for ing large Socialist totals in this sec-

"Every unemployment insurance ance on governments."

Green continued as the delegates to protect union members from being will run Pennsylvania's total Socialpresent labor's problems before the roared approval. "We have notified obliged to accept work contrary to ist vote in excess of 90,000." the world that we are going to fight the rules and regulations of their organizations, or employment under the number of Socialist votes with a conditions such as tend to depress

way for them to make a living. You, by the state and all reserve funds high, 1,858; Lancaster, 1,757; sible for our millions of unem- out state administration, plant re- Twenty-two counties polled serves will prove but another 'com-than 1,000 votes each.'

by employers only, at a recommend- the Federation was the aprpoval of tion is believed to be the party's ed rate of 3% of the total payroll. plans for legislations to enforce the radio broadcasts from station Administration would be by the shorter work day and week. For WEEU, Reading, which have been states, in close cooperation with un- years, the leaders of organized labor part of the 1932 activities of Local employment exchanges. Two impor- have fought against such a proposal, Berks. These broadcasts have attant paragraphs from the report on the grounds that it would weaken tracted statewide attention and, in the power of economic labor organi- some of the unorganized districts, yours now by dialing 2-2441. zations by increasing workers' reli- have been the only form of Socialist

Fenner Brockway Predicts New Industrial Revolt Within Three Months

### SAY RECOVERY IMPOSSIBL

Declares American System Is motion to open the hall. Breaking Without New Group to Handle Affairs

panied by striking changes in our social order within the next three years was predicted by Fenner Brockway, chairman of ing. However, it will be interesting the Independent Labor Party to note whether the city officials in England and editor of the deem it worth while to listen in on, (British) New Leader, in a talk at Brookwood Labor College.

against the bosses." declared Brock-it?—the wisest course for him to way, "but also it must be a struggle pursue is to foster as many public possibly to the death—with the meetings as possible. And if he wants governments that represent the to convince his fellow townsmen of

"The first determined resistance to wage cuts in six years has shown itself in Britain within the last three months," the speaker went on. "This militancy of the workers, coupled with a new temper among the unemployed, is prophetic. And when things do break loose, past revolts will seem pale pink in comparison."

Brockway said a temporary recovery from the depression was possible in the United States but it was doubtful if it would last more than three has now become Mayor Stump ador four months, and after that we dressed a demand for Federal relief would be plunged deeper than ever to Washington. Under present coninto the depths of depression.

army of unemployed yet you folks desirous to help. over here caught up with us in two

Capitalism is breaking down much faster than any group of workers is arising to take it over or any plan for handling it is being developed, the speaker pointed out, stating that the hope of the working class must rest with the younger elements everywhere. He viewed with pride the young people in the Independent Labor Party, saying they were a keen, intelligent lot, ready to step into the breach any time.

"You young people should try to time is making for," Brockway advised, "then make for it, too."

# PENNA. WILL TOTAL 90,001

Official figures which include every county except Allegheny bring the than a cent a day. However, large Socialist party total in the last election to 76,342 votes, the largest figure which the party has yet attained. "The fighting spirit still is in us," act should contain specific provisions Without doubt the Allegheny vote

total of 15,988 for Thomas and Maurer. Philadelphia is second with extra \$3. If he is unemployed \$3 "Whatever plan is adopted, we be- 13,038. Of the counties surrounding per year will not keep him out of the lieve that it should be administered Berks, Montgomery polled 3,168; Le- breadline much longer. industrial management, are respon- held and invested by the state. With- Schuylkill, 1,405; Lebanon, 1,256. mind is that the past year has seen

campaigning.

### What Reading Folks Are Talking About

OPEN CITY HALL

After the Fusion policy of refusing meet with the unemployed in pubic discussion of the complaints of the jobless, Wednesday's decision to permit the use of the municipal auditorium for a public meeting by the Hunger Marchers was somewhat amusing.

Credit for this liberal attitude toward the under-privileged belongs to the Socialist members of council, George and Hoverter, who made the

The mayor's stipulation that the meeting must be "orderly" was unnecessary and served no other pur-KATONAH, N. Y. (FP) .- A pose than that of saving the face of new industrial revolt, accom-that official after Monday's refusal to meet in public with the local unemployed.

This issue of the Advocate goes to press before Thursday night's gatherthe complaints and demands of the hungry.

If Mayor Ermentrout wants to "Not only must it be a struggle maintain order—and who can doubt his sympathy for the unemployed he should place himself in the forefront of the demand for more and ever more relief money.

The best place to seek funds is. of course in the state and national lawmaking bodies. They, and not the city, have the power to tax the incomes and fortunes of the very rich. However, the city officials can add their voices to demands upon the higher bodies.

Long before the hunger of Reading's jobless was as sharp as itditions that demand should be fre-"And speaking of efficiency," he quently repeated. It will be if the continued, "America takes the cake. Fusion group at city hall learn what It took us eight years to get our the people need and are sincerely

### AN EXPENSIVE "ECONOMY"

The doubtful value of municipal tax reductions as a means of easing the economic situation is revealed by the news that a budget reduction of \$400,000 is needed in order to reduce the tax rate only one mill.

With \$400,000 less to spend the city will have to do many undesirable things. It will be forced to cut the wages of its regular employees and thus reduce the purchasing power of the masses. It will be obliged to cut its working force and thus add to the numbers who are living upon find out what the life force of your charity. And it will be necessary to reduce the appropriations for public services which benefit everybody.

If it does all this and other things which will have a bad effect upon the economic situation of everybody, the city will be able to save property owners some expense. To the small property owner the saving will be very little. A \$3,000 home will be taxed \$3 less for an entire year; less property owners—especially those who own blocks of homes for rental purposes, will be benefited quite considerably.

Taking the viewpoint of the small home owner, we can't see much point Berks leads the state's counties in to robbing him of efficient public service when the saving is so small. If he is working he can pay the

An important factor to bear in (Continued on Page Four)

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Year 1931 to 1932 Saw Drop Of 77% In Number of Bank Depositors Throughout

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The greatest share of these losses has occurred during the last year, when 7,047,340 savings accounts were wiped out with a loss of \$3,-925,898,000 in the total. The deposits are now half a billion less than

For the first year of the depression here was an actual increase in the mount on deposit although the decrease in the number of depositors had been on since 1928; that is, the better-off increased their average deposit. During 1931 there was a slight decrease in deposits and a continuing decrease in depositors. But in the year between June 30, 1931, and June 30, 1932, disaster really hit the savings bank depositors of he country, for during that year 77% of the drop in depositors and 90% of the decrease in deposits

"Are the spectres of old age, disease and dependency, which were being driven farther and farther into the background by accumulated sav-ings, to be allowed easy return? The question is entitled to real consideration," says the hankers report. Unemployment insurance, old age ensions and socialized medicine are lowever, not mentioned.

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scheduled daily. Box office is open WASHINGTON .- Demanding early repeal of the Economy Act, on the ground that it has failed to effect substantial savings to the government while it has seriously weakened the service morale, the executive committee of the National Federation of Post Office Clerks began its biennial session in Washington SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (FP).—The Dec. 5. The Federation has 50,000

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### MAYOR REFUSES

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sisted.

ber of the committee, stated that the to "keep moving" by policemen who the cases which the League was pre- Commissioner Giles. pared to offer could be substanti- For more than an hour the uniated by witnesses. At this point the formed men patrolled the pavements Mayor stated that the councilmanic on both sides of the street and kept committee would be willing to hear the citizens on the go. Throughout the witnesses. "But," he added, "not the entire proceedings the crowd was in a public meeting; we can't get orderly and accepted the orders of anywhere that way."



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Caps Keep Citizens Moving

While the committee was arguing its case with the city officials the city police were kept busy on the outside of the building. Several hundred ployment relief. We have many persons who had come to hear what dases which show that relief is inade- was going on were denied access to quate and everybody has a right to the city hall building unless they hear about them," Tomlinson in could show that they came "on business." These persons then lined the Arthur Buckwalter, another mem-curb outside but were quickly told meeting would be valueless unless had been detailed to that duty by

the policemen in good humor. Some of the officers, on the other hand, plainly indicated by their manner that they had no sympathy with the job to which they had been assigned and that ordering jobless fellow townsmen about was not the most pleasant task to them.

"Relief Inadequate" Investigators for the League declared after the meeting that they had hoped to present a number of actual cases which would show that the relief given to Roading's unemployed is grossly inadequate. Another charge which they would have made is that of discourteous treatment of unemployed by some of the

relief workers. Among the cases which would have been submitted in testimony are the following:

RUTH, 657 S. 1716 street. Husband, wife and 8 children ranging from 7 months to 17 years of age. Get \$6.00 weekly food voucher. Say they should have \$12. Relief had been cut from \$10 to present amount. Inadequate fuel. Declare Mrs. Vose said "poor don't need electricity." Flatly refused clothing. Dropped insurance a year ago. Husband sickly but went to work on work relief job because he was told that unless he worked he would not get a food voucher.

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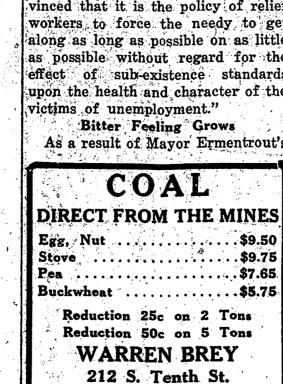
attention for sick child. Lost insurance. Badly in need of clothing. Kept At Lowest Level

the above could have been brought for a public hearing, declared this then reduce production costs by the past merely, but as a dangerous staff, who directed the operations, to the attention of Council and that week that the initial plea was made slashing workers' wages. sufficient public interest could be to the city authorities in the hope. This excuse for paying producers any time of public protest against aroused to support a councilmanic that they would be willing to back less than enough for a livelihood in conditions of widespread suffering claim for added relief for the citi- a demand for better consideration order to get business is viewed by among the people. zens of Reading," League members for the needy families of Reading. | Socialists as a powerful argument in

"In every case we have investigated we find that the relief allowance is insufficient to provide decent family existence. We are also conalong as long as possible on as little as possible without regard for the effect of sub-existence standards upon the health and character of the victims of unemployment."

As a result of Mayor Ermentrout's

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of \$6.50. Need coal; also medical the unemployed are viewing the city and employer alike. officials with bitterness.

"It was hoped that many cases like Council agreed to grant the request petition in the matter of price and should not be regarded as a thing of Gen. Douglas MacArthur, chief-of-"If the jobless are not satisfied that favor of their system of socialized they are treated right by the relief industry and planned production for groups to who should they turn but use instead of for profit. to their public officials," Sands asked. "However, the general feelvinced that it is the policy of relief ing now is that the Fusion members workers to force the needy to get of Council at least do not wish to be bothered by the plight of their unfortunate constituents. Instead of taking the lead in demanding more and better relief their action this week leads to the belief that their chief concern is to wash their hands of responsibility. Perhaps they can do that and still remain within the law, but it is sad to reflect that the elected officials want to get out from under the burdens of the people who need help now."

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hosiery manufacturers must sel their products. Their plea that jobbers are able to dictate prices emphasizes the fail-

With industry over developed the ington last July. Charles F. Sands, who acted as only way in which many firms can He said that this misuse of fed-camps. Thomas would have Conspokesman for the League when secure orders is to undercut all com- eral power against the veterans gress consider the removal of Maj.

THOMAS ASKS PROBE OF BONUS ARMY EVICTION

WASHINGTON (FP). - Norman Phomas, in a radio broadcast Dec. 3 from the national conference of the

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and 8 years. Weekly voucher of refusal to permit a public hearing ure of the Capitalist system to func- Joint Committee on Unemployment, and lawlessness of the action of sol-\$4 insufficient; should have minimum of the complaints of the T. P. L. tion to the advantage of employee demanded that Congress probe the diers and officers of the army in eviction of the B. E. F. from Wash- driving out the veterans and their

precedent which might be used at as being unfit for his post.

A score of Washington newspaper correspondents have indicated their 120 persons, veterans of the bonus desire to testify, before a Senate or army, are living in old box cars near House committee, to the brutality San Antonio.

families and burning the bonus

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### WHAT READING FOLKS ARE TALKING ABUU

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a large number of homes slipping out the worker's home. of the hands of workers and into the A MATTER OF WORDS clutches of real estate sharks. With- If you remember how roundly the League in public discussion. But all

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It WILL be.

out doubt more homes are going to be lost via the sheriff sale route. Bearing all that in mind leads to the conclusion that tax reductions are not for the profit of the worker as much as for the personal economy of the fellow who is soon going to own

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"ReRading Times" berated the the old poison gas which it once Federal Dole For Copper, Socialist administration for what turned against the Socialists is missthat newspaper called "secret ses- ing. Instead of shouting "secret sions," you will be amused by the government," the "Times" now derestrained and measured language of plores what it calls a "pathetic iman editorial in Wednesday's "Times." passe." And instead of charging

that Mayor Ermantrout refused to meet the Taxpayers' Protective

The "Times" appears, to regret dirty work at the Fusion crossroads

have shed our tears in sympathy for the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, the poor Fusionists. And now our eyes are cleared sufficiently to see construction Finance Corporation. that the present "Times" policy is Copper mining and smelting, and no different than it ever was, that the lumber industry, the R. F. C. he defense of anti-Socialists has said, are "greatly curtailed" in opmerely taken the place of an un-eration, and the unemployed have

have done many things different and from the federal fund for the doubtlessly better than they did hungry. Socialists are only human and are liabel to err. But the "Reading Times" forgot to be charitable until the Socialists were replaced by Bertolet's boys.

Here is just another incident to how that the "Times" concern for ful and public discussion was more matter of words than of ingrained principle. Its opposition to the Socialists did not come from the fact that the Socialists were failing, but from the fear that they would succeed too well.

Labor Peers Deny Right

To Over-Ride Commons' Vote LONDON-Lord Ponsonby, leader of the Labor party opposition in the British House of Lords, has announced that in the future the Labor party representatives in the upper house will not vote against government measures sent up from the Commons, but would reserve the right to move amendments. The House of Hords, membership in which is hereditary, should not have veto power over acts of the elected representatives of the people, the



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### Lumber Camp Jobless

\$129,372 of federal hunger relief get from peace and order is a funds to the city and township of garbage-pail existence? the "Times" sympathetically explains Hancock, the county of Ontonagon that Fusion nerves are badly frayed. and the townships of Quincy and We have read the editorial and we Franklin, in the extreme north of was announced Nov. 25 by the Re-

reasonable attack upon the Socialists. exhausted all local aid. Michigan Heavens knows the Socialists could has previously received \$5,137,475

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people lack both the power and th understanding to do the RIGHT thing fails to explain why so many of them are not doing ANY thing to attack a system which offers them and their children nothing but a de-

the suffering American people has me "guessing." What is there in human character that keeps people from running amuck? What is it that keeps them obedient to Capitalism's laws when they are pushed into hovels, when their children sicken and die, when their sons become hoboes and their daughters prostitutes? Why do they try so hard to keep WASHINGTON. - Allotment of things going when the utmost they

Is life so dear and peace so sweet that they shall be purchased at the price the unemployed are paying now? Is jail so horrible that fathers should prefer to watch their families

drag through a miserable existence rather than risk imprisonment by breaking the barriers which Capitalist lawmakers have erected to safeguard the House of Have?

#### Slump Menaces Schools

NEW ORLEANS.—The most im portant problem facing the South's grading and insufficient charity dole. educational institutions is finances, and next year will be the hardest so THE COW-LIKE PATIENCE of far, Dr. Joseph Roemer, president of the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools of the Southern States, said at its annual convention.

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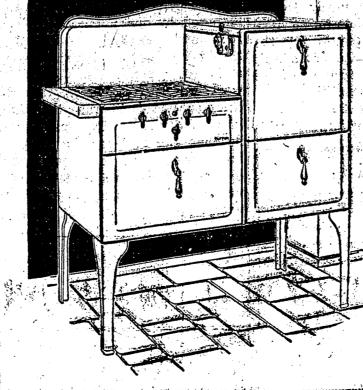
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So come along and play any game

peffer players' scores are entered in

TWO CARD PARTIES NEXT WEDNESDAY NIGHT

If you are looking for a good the active members of the young So-time and like to play cards for fine prizes, next Wednesday night, Dec. Brown recently defended the So-

Labor Lyceum: The women of the and won the approval of the student

Central Branch will be in charge and the proceeds will be for the benefit of the Socialist Male Chorus. Laureldale: In the headquarters in

the rear of Yerger's Store you will find a happy crowd of comrades. At both these parties tasty lunch will be served at the right prices. Take your choice; you simply can't

CARD PARTY NEXT FRIDAY AT

WEST LAWN All Reading card players are invited to attend a party at the headquarters of the West Lawn Branch, 2022 Spring street, next Friday night, Dec. 16. Fine prizes and good lunch will be your reward.

WEST. READING SOCIALISTS, ATTENTION!

All members of the West Reading Branch are urged to attend their next meeting and assist to select the organization's officers for the coming

There is also another event of importance in the air. It is a poultry social at the headquarters, 233 Kline street, on Dec. 21, 22 and 23. Nonparty members are welcome to attend this latter event.

ATTENTION! DEBATING TEAMS There will be a meeting at the Labor Lyceum this coming Sunday, Dec. 11th, at 10 a; m. for the purpose of formulating plans for the debates to be held this coming season. All branches are requested to send a delegate to this meeting."

MEETING OF MUSICIANS TONIGHT AT LYCEUM

An effort is being made to organize a Socialist Band and Orchestra. Comrade Edward Arnold of the Central Branch has arranged for a meeting which will be held at the Labor Lyceum at 8 o'clock tonight.

Comrade Arnold has been in touch with a number of local comrades who are musicians and with Shillington musicians and the Newmanstown comrades who make up a large part of the Newmanstown Band.

The meetin gronight will be to form a permanent organization, elect officers and lay plans for the formation of a band and an orchestra. All Socialists and sympathizers who can play a band instrument are

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requested to attend tonight's

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SANDS TO ADDRESS NORTH-

EAST WOMEN

Northeast Women at their meet-

ng, Dec. 13, will be addressed by

NEWMANSTOWN ACTIVE

Newmanstown will hold all future

meetings on the first and third Wed-

nesday of each month. The next

branch meeting will be held Wednes-

day, Dec. 28th, at 8 p. m. in the

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organization committee needs this list of members and it is up to you to get it in before Jan. 5, 1933

WOMELSDORF TO ELECT **OFFICERS** 

Womelsdorf Branch will hold their next meeting Sunday, Dec. 11, at (Continued on Page Six)

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### LABOR COLLEGE NEWS

By STEPHEN H. ELY

If it is true that like seeks like, then surely the shades of Patrick securing local speakers knock at the to none. In fact, judged purely Sunday, Dec. 11. The visitors are to Henry, of William Jennings Bryan, of Mark Antony, and other great seek no further. orators were congregated in room ciples, various students of the Labor her subject, "The Dignity of La-

College, in flowery rhetoric.

past about the shortage of speakers in the organizations these men and women of the Labor College represent, in the future consider such statements as but idle talk. If those who are delegated with the task of

The oration of Mrs. Clara 118 of the Southern Junior High ler, the winner of Monday night's School on Monday and Wednesday oratorical contest, was of excepnight of this week to hear their dis- tional interest. The substance of

bor," is a creation of her own mind, We have heard much said in the and her style of delivery was such as to hold her audience in rapt attention from the beginning until the

**Gifts** 

The winner of Wednesday night's contest was Ralph E. Daniels, and his lentown, Camden and other places manner of presentation was second are expected to visit Reading on door of the Labor College they need from an oratorical viewpoint, it join the comrades of Reading in a would indeed have been difficult to hike to Klapperthal where roasted determine which of the speakers on "dogs" will be served. Yipsels are Wednesday or Monday nights were to meet at the Labor Lyceum at the most outstanding in their work. 1:30. It is the concensus of opinion among the pupils not participating in the contests that all did remarkably well. and everybody is eagerly looking forward to another enjoyable session such as this one proved to be.

On Sunday, January 15, the pupils will hold a "Rep" night at the Labor Lyceum, and we expect to have one glorious night.

Next week will be devoted to the study of how, the legislative branch of our National and State governments work, and to many of us there will no doubt be revealed some hitherto unknown facts.

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## ACTIVITIES OF READING

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p. m. The election of officers for 933 will be held at this meeting.

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SOUTHERN BRANCH ELECTION **NEXT WEEK** 

Southern Branch will hold election of officers at next meeting Tuesday, Dec. 13th. We are looking for a new headquarters and if we secure the place we are after we will have ample room for reading room, socials and suppers. Further announcement upon final arrange-

JACKSONWALD SOCIALISTS

PLAN NEW ACTIVITY The next meeting of the Jacksonwald Branch will be held on Friday, Dec. 9, at 8 p. m. at Lorah's caroenter shop near Gechter's Hotel. On December 23rd at 8 p. m. they will hold a meeting at Comrade Conrad's farm, just opposite Judge Mays' home, on the Friedensburg road. On Saturday, Dec. 17, at 7:30 p. m. some one will be presented at the Black Bear Hotel by the Jacksonwald Branch with five geese. \* \* \*

YIPSEL NOTES

A delegation of Yipsels from Al

Circle No. 2 will have a question box at its next meeting in the Payne Memorial, Friday, Dec. 9.

Circle No. 3, the new Junior Circle, is now coming along first rate and is planning to accomplish things in a "big" way. =

On Tuesday, Dec. 6, a branch meeting was held at the Red Men's Building, banquet room, Ninth and Willow streets . This was followed by the first of a series of education al lectures. Comrade Charles F Sands of Local Berks gave the lec turé, "Socialism a Necessity." For the first time in Lebandn a lecture of this kind drew ddite a nice crowd will be the last lecture this year. Starting with the new year a lecture will be given the first and third Tuesday of each month until April.

nut street, at 8 p. m.

Tuesday, December 13, at the building of Comrade Robert W. Reiber, art Tomlinson.

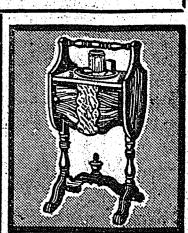
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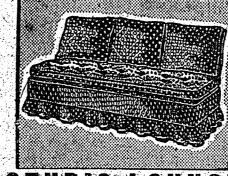
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On Saturday, Dec. 10, a Young At the regular meeting of Local Zechman, Charles Sands, J. Henry write to the Labor Lyceum, Reed and People's Socialist League will be or- Berks on December 1, the following Stump, Ethel Hofses, Jacob Halder- Walnut streets, Reading, Pa. Dial ganized in Lebanon by the young officers and committees were elected: man. Oscar D. Nordby, George W. 2-2441 and we will be only too glad comrades of Reading. All comrades Officers: Recording secretary, Ed-Snyder, Bertha Weidner, Arthur to serve you. are asked to co-operate and help win R. Loder; financial secretary, Buckwalter, James Wesner. Smith; organizer, Ralph Bigony. Lebanon Branch will meet on rence, Wm. Rhodes, Cleve Long.

any of 'our competitors' brands of Referendum: Darlington Hoopes, George Rhodes, Raymond Hofses. Radio: George Rhodes, Howard do not have to be ashamed to red-McDonough, Raymond Hofses. Willow Glen: Howard McDonough.

we were forced to hire additional Edward Yoe, George Rhodes, Darhelp; so comrades, keep the good lington Hoopes, Adam Eberly. Naturalization: James Roslin, work going, and in a few more weeks we will have the factory filled with George Zember, Mike Mazurek. Literature: George Rhodes, Howcigarmakers.

ard McDonough, Raymond Hofses, Charles Sands: Albert Hartman. most here, so go to your merchant Women's Committee: Annie Zech- and order your Karl Marx 5c or 10c

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last summer by Congress, to more than \$25,000,000 for that one State. Earlier payments had amounted to \$20,303,150. No other State had received over \$10,000,000.

This further grant to Illinois was WASHINGTON (FP).—By grant- explained officially as being due to ing an additional \$4,935,078 on Nov. "current emergency relief needs for

Reconstruction Finance Corporation By its action the R. F. C. has inbrought the total of its allotments dicated that it looks upon Chicago from the emergency relief fund and Illinois in general as the most State Industrial Commissioner Frandangerous spot on the map of un- ces Perkins says in a report of preemployment and wholesale misery liminary results of the fourth an-

### PREDICTS GREAT STRIKE FOR 30-HOUR WEEK

WASHINGTON -Edward F. Mc-Grady, legislative agent of the American Federation of Labor, predicted, Dec. 2, in an address to the third national conference of the Joint Committee on Unemployment, that the agitation for a 30-hour workweek to stabilize and restore employment would culminate in a great strike, if employers continued to refuse to adjust their working schedule to the fact that there is now only 30 hours' work per week for the number of persons in this country who must earn their bread.

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### ERMENTROUT, POLITICS AND THE UNEMPLOYED

(Continued from Page One)

that the city authorities compelled the unwashed and disreputablelooking victims of the owning class to remain within a hall where they could not offend the eyes of "respectable" people.

Surely, that was politics. It was Capitalist politics. It was the kind of politics which, in more serious times, may yet force hungry men and women to face bullets in their quest for bread.

We dissent from Mayor Ermentrout's order to "cut out the politics." Theoretically, at least this is a POLITICAL DEMOCRACY, and there is no question which should not be decided upon the basis of

We scorn the kind of politics which makes mere self-seekers of individuals. But the trouble is that workers have not played class politics enough. In the past they have permitted themselves to be lead astray; they have delivered themselves into the hands of the masters because they could not understand the necessity of playing workingclass politics. They have voted for "good men"-who were good FOR the EXPLOITERS. They have voted for "efficiency and economy"-which benefited the owning class. They have voted for slogans which have nothing whatever to do with the economic conditions of a slave class. In short, they have played the politics of the owning class. And now that Capitalism has collapsed, they find themselves tied by laws which the politicians of the owning class have made for the

protection of the masters. This matter of unemployment and starvation must be settled some way. Mounting millions of unwanted workers will not always consent to slowly starve on insufficient doles. Poverty in the midst of plenty

has raised questions which must be answered. How will those questions be answered?. To answer them by political means is the American way and offers the best chance of a peaceful and orderly solution. The other way is the way of force and violence, of action and reaction, of desperation striving against

The hardships and the contempt in which they are held by the masters of industry and finance are the result of the failure of the workers to practice workingclass politics in the past. By all means let them "play politics" now. Let them use their political power to end exploitation and make the industries serve all instead of a few.

## 56% IN BUFFALO JOBLESS

BUFFALO, N. Y. (FP).-More han 32 1/2 % of Buffalo's male popuation "able and willing to work" cannot find jobs, and almost 23 1/2 % are employed part-time, New York nual study of Buffalo unemployment. Fifty-six per cent were thus unemployed or "under-employed," she

The proportion of jobless is 1% times as great in 1932 as last year. The steady rise is shown in these figures: 6.2% in 1929; 17.2% in 1930: 24.3% in 1931. Part-time jobs showed a similar current.

"Unemployment olds been of considerably longer duration in 1932 than in 1931," Miss Perkins adds. Of the jobless in 1931, four-fifths had been out of work 10, weeks or more;

#### SAYS CHURCHES MUST TEACH PEOPLE THAT CAPITALISM IS EVIL

WASHINGTON (FP). - "We must educate the people, through the churches, that capitalism is an evil, just as chattel slavery was an evil," was the message brought to the conference of the Joint Committee on Unemployment by Jerome Davis, member of the faculty of Yale Divinity School.

He declared that whenever an owner of capital uses it in a manner inimical to the interests of society, he forfeits his title to ownership. The epoch of uncontrolled capitalism is ended, Davis said, and the people, starving amidst the means of plenty, are preparing to restore their own security

He proposed immediate recognition of the Soviet Union, in order that \$1,000,000,000 of trade with that country might "inject" insulin into our economic order" during the collapse.

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in 1932, nine-tenths had been jobless 10 weeks or more. A little more than one-third of the men out of work in 1932 had been unemployed two years or more.

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### **EDITORIALS**

By Norman Thomas

#### THE FIGHTING LEAD AT THE A. F. OF L.

six-hour day without reduction of wages is vital. Indeed this as are now counted for us. The important thing is that we get particular plank in a program for fighting unemployment is probably more basic, significant and far-reaching than unem-zation to warrant us in going ahead. It will be our own fault if ployment insurance itself. Without a reduction in working timidity, inefficiency, or internal differences of any sort prehours there is no way of grappling with the increased productivent us from putting on a most aggressive campaign. That tivity of machinery. The thing, however, that as yet the campaign will require a much enlarged national organization A. F. of L. officially has missed, the thing which is vitally im-with an appropriate budget. It will, of course, require aggresportant, is an understanding that neither adequate unemploy-sive and intelligent action by our locals. ment insurance, which the A. F. of L. has not yet called for, nor the 30-hour week without reduction of pay can be achieved simply by demanding them of the capitalist system:

It is doubtful whether the capitalist system could stand the cost and strain of such demands in time of crisis. It is necessary to go farther and to make rapid strides in socialization and social control in order to carry out this program! Valuable as is unemployment insurance, for instance, under no circumstances can it be made a substitute for socialization. It was a mistake of the British Labor Party that it spent too much energy in seeking to overcome the defects in the profit system by redistributing incomes through social insurance without going to the root of things and substituting socialized planning for capitalist chaos.

and passionately in the interest of the workers, will not produce perfection. The Russian Five-Year Plan, valuable as it has been as a milestone in social progress, has obviously run into a very bad snag when it is necessary at this stage of Russian development still further to limit food supplies for the workers. I think Walter Duranty is right and that Russian to the interest of some unmarried teacher to have a married government will win through. In any transitional society there will be a problem in making the necessary bureaucracy truly efficient. That problem is peculiarly great given the Russian background. Nevertheless the most serious mistake in Russia was not bureaucratic inefficiency but the enforced collectivization of agriculture accompanied by too great a concentration on heavy industries at the price of the production of consumers' goods. It will be a very serious question whether Stalin can force the peasants into line by the new policy of even greater sternness.

#### \* ENTHUSIASTIC YOUNG INTELLECTUALS

Meanwhile some of our enthusiastic young intellectuals cine, as practiced today, is just another trade. who accept Communism without the discipline of the Communist Party, who are devotees of the cause of anti-militarism and pocratic Oath in which they pledge themselves to uphold the academic and other liberty everywhere except in Russia—or in highest ideals. And every year, after the internes leave the America if America began to be Communist—might profitably hospitals to try to make a living, they find themselves thrown by the U. S. S. R., maintained its consider the spectacle of the great Trotsky permitted by a into a bitter struggle for existence in which the Ethics they were usual dividend rate. Social-Democratic government in Denmark to give his views to lectured on in medical school seem to have become a sour jest. the world against the vehement protests of his erstwhile comrades.

Trotsky's radio address gave the world no new information. Yet it gave the world something to think about. Per- making a living at medicine is something so different from the has decided.

tion as changing the character of the Russian people. This is bucking the game. scarcely what Trotsky would have been expected to have to say about the revolution of which he was a father ten years reduced to the vending of wares and the doctor is all too often ago. Theodore Seibert's interesting book, "Red Russia," is a compelled against his own sensibilities to become a merchant picture of life under the dictatorship which, while somewhat and to indulge in merchants' devices to get and keep trade. out of focus and not quite up to the minute, is also worth considering by these same intellectuals. I say this not because important of the social services. Healing and keeping the peo-

I find any joy in criticising Russia but because precisely at this ple's health should be a function of the community. And it is moment when the stock of what we call democracy is deservedly low in America and in much of the western world sion has so recommended. The world does move toward the it is important that in a reaction of disgust against this miser-things Socialists believe in.—The New Leader. able condition of democracy we do not blindly rush to indiscriminate enthusiasm for dictatorship.

#### THE SOCIALIST VOTE IS ENCOURAGING

It is rather encouraging to find the size of our national vote very considerably in excess of the estimates of the first tion Finance Corporation, which was to be a mountain of day or two after the election. Every day I get letters which strength in a weak land, a bulwark of money to provide jobs show two things: First, that an immense number of votes was and heaven only knows what else. not counted at all either on account of deliberate malice or through laziness, inefficiency and the absurd opinion that after lions of the people's money and finally brought forth according Tuesday night at 1127 Muhlenberg all it doesn't matter whether a minor party vote is counted to a United Press from Washington—a veritable mouse. correctly or not. The second thing that my correspondents assure me is that there was a wholesale defection to Roosevelt in the closing days of the campaign because of a panic fear of self-liquidating project provision of the Reconstruction Finance people, who very much liked our program, that after all Act, it was learned here. Hoover might win.

I knew and tried to assure people in the closing days of last July. the campaign that fear of Hoover's winning was quite unnecessary. Of course voters so easily swayed are pretty poor material for action in critical times, but at least they may be capable of further education in Socialism. By the way, I should like to assure some of my Party friends who write me letters on the basis of misinformation that following my usual custom I never made any numerical prediction of the size of our Socialist vote during the campaign. My opinions I kept to myself or confided to a few friends. Since the election I have stated that I had expected to get upwards of two million votes—I mean two million votes that would be counted for us. Before the campaign began I should have been well satisfied if I had been assured we would get even as many as are now counted for us. Before the campaign began I should have been The A. F. of Las insistence on the five-day week and the well satisfied if I had been assured we would get even as many enough votes, enough interest, and enough healthy new organi-

### TEACHERS AND MARRIAGE

The school board's legislative committee, by a vote of 3 to 1. defeated a resolution for an amendment to the state law, barring married women teachers in Milwaukee. This action is subject to the approval or disapproval of the board, at its meeting next Tuesday evening or later! A Tree 11

We hope the board will, if it votes on the question, approve the stand of the committee, so that married women will not be barred from teaching.

As we said in discussing this question some time ago, a rule against teaching by married women would be anti-social and dysgenic.

By this we mean that it would put a premium on spinster-Of course social planning, even social planning avowedly hood and virtually condemn a great, class of healthy and wholesome young women to go through life without experienc- president Hoover: "I came to solicit Washington society."—news item. ing the ecstacies of love and the joys and sorrows and broaden- the 'president's help in getting ing influence of motherhood. It would deprive the human through Congress a bill defining swell job at more than \$15,000 race of the children whom they might bear.

Regardless of an occasional instance in which it might be teacher ousted, it is strictly to the interest of unmarried teachers in general to prevent a barrier from being raised against married teachers—for they themselves may want to get mar- head of the Baldwin Locomotive ried and may want to continue teaching.

The question would not arise at all if it were not for the shortage of jobs due to capitalism.—Milwaukee Leader.

### SOCIALIZED MEDICINE

The world moves—slowly; but it moves.

After many years a large section of the medical profession has come to the conclusion that much of the glamour thrown about the Old Family Doctor is so much bunk, and that medi-

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But securing patients, collecting fees and in other ways will not be awarded, the committee

haps its most striking feature was his emphasis on the revolu-lideal profession that it is a shock for many when they begin

Healing and prevention of illness is, in actual practice,

And this is more than tragic. Healing is one of the most good to see that an important committee of the medical profes-

#### THE MOUNTAIN AND THE MOUSE

When Herbert Hoover and the rest of the politicians down in Washington opened their eyes and realized there was a depression they spit on their hands and created the Reconstruc-street.

So the mountain labored under the influence of many bil-The dispatch said:

"Only 1,000 men have obtained jobs so far through the

"Congress appropriated \$1,500,000,000 for the purpose

"Congressional leaders hoped this sport to construction coln Homestead would give jobs to 1,000,000 to 2,000,000 of the nation's 11. 000,000 unemployed, and thus stimulate business.

"Although \$137,249,500 in loans has been authorized, only \$360,000 has been advanced to date. This went to start work House on the project in middle Rio Grande Conservancy district. Albuquerque, N. M., where some men have been put to work."

Will Roosevelt, the Democratic president-elect do any better? Remember, the R. F. C. was born of a Democraticcontrolled congress and that the R. F. C. itself is controlled by month until further notice, at 8 p. m.,

We suggest junking the R. F. C. and substituting \$5,000, 000,000 direct relief; \$5,000,000,000 in actual public works, old age pension, unemployment insurance, a minimum wage law and the 30-hour week.—Labor Record.

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EXTRA!! EXTRA!! ALL ABOUT WHAT GOES ON IN THE 'GREAT

MINDS' OF OUR COUNTRY! Reply of President Daniel Willard of the Baltimore & Ohio on the pur-Indian Summer and establishing by year as lobbyist. law the date on which it begins and

Though there is no grass growing Charles G. Dawes. in city streets, so far, S. M. Vauclain. Works, has seen the grass grow six inches high in his plant.

The custom now is to turn out broken-down locomotives into the yards and let them wait there for by the strain of work. the "inevitable revival."

The Greeks Had A Word For It "Too much prosperity brings ruin," says an old Greek axiom.

Well, we're waiting.

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We wonder why.

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Lesson In Disarmament Just after bombing had been de

clared "horrible" by the British House of Commons, the minister of Kenya Territory in Africa warned Abyssinia orally that planes may be used if Abyssinia persisted in border · 中心一物。佛可料照

Why not a "Dividend-Sharing" campaign, suggests The New Leader 1645 MAN 18 16 \* 18

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Henry Ford, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis, is eligible for workmen's compensation, because his illness was caused

IT'S A GREAT SYSTEM!

### DEPRESSION=PRICE CAFETERIA FOR DETROI

DETROIT (FP). - Bernarr Macfadden's penny cafeteria idea has spread to Detroit. The depressionprice restaurant was originated by the magazine magnate in New York after he put 100 employes of the ery Friday night at Labor Temple, Evening Graphic on the street by suspending publication.

Highest price in the Detroit penny Hall, 133 East 23d street. cafeteria, operated by local owners is 2c, for small orders of meat dishes. Soup, bread, butter, gravy, potatoes and vegetables are each 1c. Small slices of pie, cake, canteloupe, melon, sell for the same. Coffee, tea, milk and buttermilk are also 1c. However, portions are so small that double investment is required for

used for a Jim Crow annex.

How is the penny restaurant able to operate at such prices?

seven days a week, for board and \$5. ed was the sight of former Macfad-Since their food would cost them den employes eating in his 1c food about 50c a day, they make approxi- emporium. mately the equivalent of \$8.50 for 84 hours' work-10c an hour. "What can you do when you can't get any- pay a "political debt," she should thing better?" is the typical reason hear the clamor for postoffices next one bus boy offered for accepting spring.

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Southern Branch: Meets each

16th Ward: Meets each Tuesday night at 431 Summit avenue. Berkshire Heights: Each Friday night in basement of Peterson's barbar shop, Seventh and Oley streets. Birdsboro: Second and Fourth

Tuesday at 8 p. m. at 622 West Second street.
Exeter Twp.: Second District, first and third Fridays at 8 p. m. at Lin-

Fairview: First Tuesday at 8 p. m. t the home of Thomas Moser. Persh-

Gibraltar: Second and Fourth Monlays at 8:30 p. m., at Gibraltar Fire Hyde Park: Every Tuesday at 8

m., in Hyde Park Fire Hall. Jacksonwald: Meets every Second and Fourth Friday at 8 p. m., at Greth's Gas Station. Kenhorst: Every Tuesday or each

1014 Broadway Blvd. Laureldale: Every Tuesday night at Yeager's Hall. Elizabeth and darion streets. Rosedale. Newmanstown: Meets first and

third Tuesday of the month in Band Hall at 8 p. m. Shillington: First and Third Fridays at 8 b. m. in the I. O. of A. Hall. Sinking Spring: Every Monday night at 8:30 o'clock at Socialist Park

Dance Floor. Vinemont: Every Tuesday at 8 West Lawn: Meets every Friday West Reading: Each Tuesday night at 8 o'clock, 233 Kline street. West Side Women: Every Thurs-

day, 8 p. m. at 2022 Spring street, Womelsdorf: Every Tuesday at 118 Franklin street, at 9:00 p. m. Women's Socialist League: Meets each Thursday night at Labor Ly-

Central Women:, Every Friday night, at Labor, Lyceum. Exeter Women: Meets every Second and Fourth Thursday at 8 p. m. at Lincoln Homestead.

Northeast Women: Every Tuesday evening, B, o'clock, at 1311 North Northwest Women: Tuesday night at Green and Gordon streets. Southern Women: Every Friday, p. m., at 1127 Muhlenberg street.

Womelsdorf Women: Every Wednesday at 117 Franklin St., at Women's Committee: Wednesday night preceding Local Berks meeting

18th Ward Women: Meets second and fourth Thursdays at 8 o'clock at 481 Summit Ave.
Male Chorus: Rehearsal and meet-

ing every Wednesday, 8 p. m. at 1311 North Ninth street.

Circle 1, Sr., meets every Thursday, 8 p. m., at 240 Linden St. Circle 2, Jr., meets every Friday, p. m., at 1311 N. 9th St. p. m., at 233 Kline St., W. Reading. Circle 4, Sr., meets every Thurs-

day, 8 p. m., at 1311 N. 9th St. Circle 6, Sr., meets every Wednesday, 9 p. m., at Gordon and Green Circle 7, Jr., meets every Wednesday, 7 p. m., at Gordon and Green

Circle 8, Jr., meets first and third Friday, 8 p. m., at Lincoln Homestead, during Branch meetings. Circle 9, Sr., meets every Thursday, 8:30 p. m., at 1127 Muhlenberg Circle 10, Jr., meets every Thurs-

day, 7:15 p. m., at 1127 Muhlenberg County Executive Committee meets every Sunday morning 8:30, at Labor Lyceum.

STATE SOCIALISTS Allentown-Central Branch - Ev-126 North Sixth street. Erie-Every Wednesday night at

o'clock at the Workmen's Circle

Lebanon Branch meets every Tuesday. 8 p. m., at 18-20 N. Front St. Pottstown - Every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock at Labor Lyceum, 24 South Charlotte street.

Rank and File Veterans' Association: Meets second Tuesday of each month, at 8 o'clock, at Labor Lyceum.

"Reserved room" is the euphemism this wage. Large volume of business up keeps the cafeteria out of the red. Rumors that Macfadden plans to extend his penny cafeterias to cities Employes work 12 hours a day, other than New York are rife. Point-

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